

**AGING IN COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
OF THE
COMMISSION ON AGING**

September 10, 2019

9:30am-11:30 pm

7300 Calhoun Place, Room 6C Rockville, MD

In Attendance: Monica Schaeffer, Nanine Meiklejohn, Mary Sweeney, Richard Jourdenais, Marsha Weber, Miriam Kelty,

Staff: Pazit Aviv, Marcia Pruzan

Guests: Sara Fought (JCA), Isabelle Schoenfeld (COA Alum)

Topic	Discussion Points	Decisions/Follow-up
1. Welcome and Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of June 11 Minutes 		The minutes were approved pending 2 corrections-the number in attendance of JCA's Expo 50 in Montgomery County was 1,300 but the combined total of Expos in both Montgomery and Fairfax was, as stated in the minutes, approximately 3,000. Anita Brady verified that the County provides 250 training programs related to health and social service programs.
2. Announcements	Monica mentioned that the PHED committee will be discussing the ADU bill on September 23 at 9:30 am. Nanine will be representing the COA on a newly formed work group of the DHCA addressing affordability in service-enriched	Mary will report back to the committee on any updates to the ADU bill at the October AIC meeting.

	<p>senior living communities.</p> <p>We congratulate Amy Harbison for being selected as a Senior Fellow working at the 50+ Volunteer Network housed in the County's Volunteer Center. Amy will not be able to attend the AIC meetings but will work with the committee "offline."</p>	
<p>3. Discussion of Focus Briefs on Transportation, Food Insecurity, Affordable Rental Housing, and Employment</p>	<p>Monica and Nanine led the group discussion of the Focus Papers with emphasis on getting consensus for next steps to be taken in each of the areas by committee members as well as the COA.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Miriam and Dick will review the Focus Paper on the new Flex program and Dick will draft a letter of our recommendations to be sent to the principals of the program at MCDOT. Monica will review the letter and determine if the letter needs to be sent out via the COA Chairperson. 2. Nanine will contact Odile to determine the next steps for advocating for an increase in funding for the Senior Nutrition Program. 2. Mary will follow-up with Lisa regarding the studies that are pertinent to the Affordable Housing Focus papers. 3. Nanine will follow-up on the voluntary rent increase issue as well as continue to take the lead on staying up to date on HIF funding so the AIC and the COA can advocate for continued increases to the HIF fund. 4. The focus paper on Employment will be discussed at the October AIC meeting. Monica will take the lead on determining who we should speak to on the County Council and in Elrich's administration. 5. Marcia Pruzan mentioned that the October 16th meeting of the Age-Friendly Advisory Group will feature the architects of the Thrive Montgomery 2050 plan. The meeting will be held in the Rockville Library from 3-5pm.

4. Next Meeting 10-8-19		Please RSVP to Nanine and Monica if you will attend.